are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The gap between requirements and indigenous availability of chemical fertilisers can not be met by utilisation of organic manures|biofertilizers.

(e) The annual import requirements of chemical fertilisers are assessed keeping in view the indigenous fertiliser availability and expected requirements of fertilisers during the year. The Government also closely monitors the import requirements and reduces the level of imports as and when the circumstances warrant.

Construction of Flats in Vasant Kunj

1706. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction work in Sector 'C' in Vasant Kunj has stopped, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) when are flats in that Sector likely to be ready for allotment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The flats under construction are likely to be completed during the period January to March, '88 and will be allotted thereafter.

Broadcast of Tamil songs on AIR Madras

1707. SHRI VALAMPURI JOHN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware of the fact that the changes in Arangisai programme in the All India Radio (AIR) Madras facilitating the broadcasting of Tamil songs has not been permitted;

(b) what are the reasons for not broadcasting Tamil songs when Tamil Isai pre-dates the Carnatic music of thiagaraja, Muthuswamy Dikshitar and Shyama Sastri;

(c) whether Government propose to conduct any enquiry in this regard; and

(d) whether Government propose to allow broadcast of Tamil Songs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) and (b) The Arangisai programme of AIR Madras is a Carnatic Classical Music Concert programme of 70 minutes duration featuring compositions in several languages including Tamil. This duration was reduced in April, 1986 to 30 minutes of classical music, 30 minutes for a new programme entitled "Saalaram" (the Window) featuring a radio report on the cultural and literary events taking place in and around Madras and 10 minutes of film songs in Tamil. The reduction in the duration of the classical music concert programme was not appreciated by the listeners. After consideration, Director-General, All India Radio decided to restore the content and duration of the programme to the original level w.e.f. 1st July, 1986;

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Compositions in Tamil are invariably broadcast in several chunks over AIR Madras. Such songs set to classical ragas have also been and would continue to be broadcast in the Arangisai programme also.

Reservation quota for other backward Classes.

†1707-A. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry had recently issued a direction to the

†Previously Unstarred Question 1512 transferred from the 7th August, 1986.

State Government not to resort to any change in the Other Backward Classes reservation policies or reservation quotas prevalent in their States;

(b) whether Andhra Pradesh Government has almost enhanced other backward Class reservation by 100 per cent;

(c) whether the Central Government was consulted by Andhra Government in view of this instruction or advice; and

(d) whether any other State has made any changes in other Backward Class reservation policy or their reservation quota? if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The Home Minister had addressed Chief Ministers in May 1985 to maintain status quo on reservations for Other Backward Classes. till such time as national consensus is evolved on the question of resrvations.

(b) State Government of Andhra Pradesh have issued orders on 15th July, 1986 raising the reservations from twenty five percent to forty four percent.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Latest information will be collected from the States.

Industrial licence for manufacture of Steel

‡1707-B. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the terms of the Industrial Licence for the Rs. 700 crores project for the manufacture of steel in Madhya Pradesh as also the terms of collaboration of the project;

(b) whether it involves the growth of a large industrial house, namely the Birlas; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for issue of such a big licence and whether Government propose to inquire into the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) No Industrial Licence has been issued for a Rs. 700 crore project for the manufacture of steel in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Turnover of 'Boost' Drink

§707-C. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is annual turn over of 'Boost' drink vis-a-vis their licenced capacity; and

(b) how much of it is exported and the foreign exchange earned thereby during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

12.00 NOON.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

सरदार गुरचरन सिंह तोहरा (पंजाब): सभापति महोदय, मेरा व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है। मेरी बात सुनने वाले हैं मैं आपके जरिये हाउस को सुनना चाहता हूं। मेरी व्यवस्था का प्रश्न यह है कि मैं आज आ रहा था दिल्ली में सेशन को अटेंड करने के लिए, दिल्ली बार्डर के ऊपर पुलिस खड़ी हुई थी और उस पुलिस ने एक कार्डन बनाया स्टेन गन और राइफलों से लेकर मेरे सामने खड़े हो गये और कहने लगे कि दिल्ली में दाखिल नहीं हो सकता। मैंने पूछा मेरा कसूर क्या है किस बात के लिए नहीं हो सकता तो वे कहने लगे मैंने आपको बता दिया, वे अपने आपको...।

‡Previously Unstarred Question 1745 transferred from the 14th August, 1986.

§Previously Unstarred Question 1779 transferred from the 11th Auguse, 1986.